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SAME UNLESS DRIFTING MARKET

Selling for Cash to Establish Losses Was an Outstanding Feature New York, Dec. 30.—About the only difference in the operations of today's stock market from those of the immediate preceding sessions was the extensive selling for cash, representing belated sales to establish losses for income tax purposes. This form of liquidation was without serious effect upon prices, although the majority of the operations were made from 1/4 to 1/2 under the quotations of the regular transactions. The general list showed little in the way of trend, and most of the representative issues of both the industrial and rail divisions dragged slightly within very narrow limits. It was, however, very strongly an industrial market.

The Sears-Roebuck incident supplied about the only bit of excitement of the day. The action of the president of the company in taking over the Chicago real estate at an appraised value of \$16,000,000, and making a donation of 50,000 shares of its common stock to the company under the provision it should not be sold at less than the par value naturally came in for widespread discussion in market circles. The action relieves the company from a condition of financial stringency in which it had apparently been languishing. Official statements, makes the assets more than equal to the liabilities, including the item of capital stock. The announcement and unexpected action of the company's executive caught a good-sized short interest clearly napping. There was a hasty rush to cover on the part of the more nervous shorts in the early trading, running the market up more than 2 points and the preferred more than 5.

Another movement which came in for considerable attention because it was believed to have an important bearing upon the immediate future of the copper industry was the 2-point advance in Montana Power. This was made on the announcement that several of the copper mining companies in the Montana district would resume operations next month, which, it is understood, included the Anaconda Mining Company. It will be of the greatest importance to the copper industry in many months before any of the copper trusts mined will reach the red metal market. The fact, however, that the managers of the larger producing companies were ready to resume operations was accepted as proof that the outlook for 1922 for the copper industry was much better than it had been this year.

International Paper and Woolworth were among the favored of the general advance. Interest among the rail and equipment was confined to Lackawanna, Atchafalaya and American Locomotive. Several of the less prominent stocks also came in for attention, but the usual active leaders drifted aimlessly within narrow limits. Curiously, cash transactions in some of the active stocks were larger than those made in the regular way.

GRAIN MARKET Chicago, Dec. 30.—Wheat started 1/2c to 3/4c lower for May and 1/2c to 3/4c off for July. Trade was moderate, with selling through commission brokers and brokers, and some leading elevator and shipping interests. On the break the market ran into resting orders to buy. The cash market was firm, with a better demand for the mill. No export business was reported yesterday.

COTTON MARKET New York, Dec. 30.—The undertone of the cotton market this morning was firm and prices advanced 10 to 21 points at the opening, followed by reports of upturns in big Manchester business, and New Orleans, Wall Street and Liverpool buying and local covering caused the early rally. Commission houses were the chief active and about 10 points above opening levels on active positions. Receipts at the ports for the day are estimated at 20,000 bales against 24,704 bales a week ago, 31,632 bales a year ago and 47,005 bales two years ago.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE New York, Dec. 30.—Sterling was unchanged at the opening of the foreign exchange market this morning. France was 1/2 point lower, marks were off a full point, while lire showed a loss of 1 point. There was a further improvement of 4 points in Swiss exchange and guilders were up 8 points from the previous close.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE TRANSACTIONS

Table with columns: Div, 100, Net, High, Low, Bid, Ask, etc. Lists various stocks like Adams Express, American Express, etc.

LIVESTOCK QUOTATIONS

Table with columns: Chicago, Dec. 30.—CATTLE—Receipts, 100 head. Market, 100 head. Choice steers, 100 head.

RESERVE BANKS' DISCOUNT RATES

Table with columns: Official discount rate at the twelve Federal Reserve Banks, etc.

LOGAL DEALINGS WELL DISTRIBUTED

The unusually wide distribution of the dealings, especially in the odd-lot transactions, gave the local market a decidedly broadening aspect, but it really was a very narrow affair. The eleventh-hour rush to establish losses through the cash sales was next to being beyond understanding. There had been numerous opportunities to make these operations in the regular way, and in a number of instances at more advantageous prices. Evidently there was some very good reason.

Philadelphia Stocks

Table with columns: 100, Net, High, Low, Bid, Ask, etc. Lists Philadelphia stocks like 501 Am Can, 357 Am Can, etc.

DIVIDENDS DECLARED

Table with columns: Standard Underground Cable Company, etc.

BANK CLEARINGS

Table with columns: Bank clearings today, compared with corresponding day last year, etc.

U. S. Certificates and Treasury Notes

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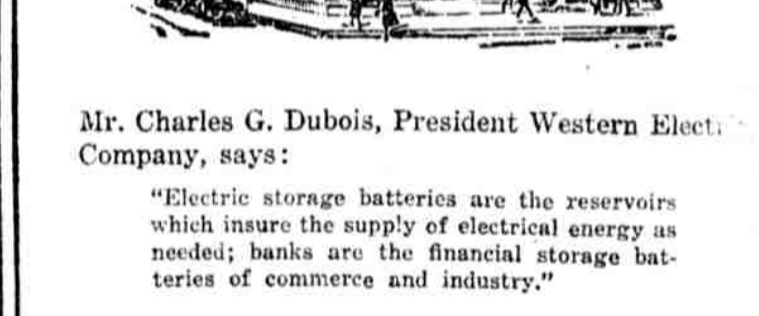
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Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh Railway Co. Consol. 4 1/2s, Due May 1, 1957. Price: to net about 5%. Free of Pennsylvania Four-mill Tax.

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